

AF / IFW



Docket No.: 43890-463

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Toshiki KINDO, et al.

Application No.: 09/708,083

Filed: November 08, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE RETRIEVAL

: Customer Number: 20277
:
: Confirmation Number:
:
: Group Art Unit: 2177
:
: Examiner: Greta L. Robinson
:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

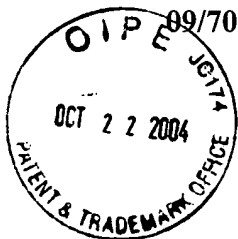
Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date and after the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee.

**REQUEST TO CONSIDER REFERENCES AFTER CLOSE OF PROSECUTION AND
BEFORE PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE**

The undersigned hereby requests consideration and entry of this Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying references under 37 CFR 1.97(d).

Please charge the processing fee under 1.17(p) of \$180.00 to Deposit Account 500417.



09/708,083

CERTIFICATION PARAGRAPH

The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as described in 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1).

Each non-English language reference was cited in a corresponding foreign application search report or office action and its relevance discussed therein. A copy of the foreign search report or office action, is attached for the Examiner's information.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

MCDERMOTT WILL & EMERY LLP


Michael E. Fogarty
Registration No. 36,139

600 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20005-3096
202.756.8000 MEF:gav
Facsimile: 202.756.8087
Date: October 22, 2004

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION

ATTY. DOCKET NO.
43890-463

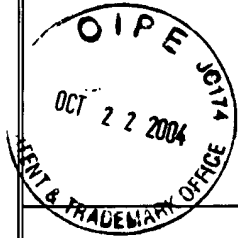
SERIAL NO.
09/708,083

APPLICANT
Toshiki KINDO, et al.

FILING DATE
November 08, 2000

GROUP
2177

(PTO-1449)



U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER'S INITIALS	CITE NO.	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER'S INITIALS	CITE NO.	Foreign Patent Document Country Codes - Number & -Kind Codes (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Figures Appear	Translation	
						Yes	No
		JP 9-006797	01/10/1997	FUJITSU LTD.		JAPAN (w/English Abstract)	
		JP 5-324739	12/07/1993	MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC IND CO LTD.		JAPAN (w/English Abstract)	
		JP 11-312115	11/09/1999	NEC CORP.		JAPAN (w/English Abstract)	

OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER'S INITIALS	CITE NO.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.